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COUNTRY GERMANY (Soviet Zone) REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Members of MGB Troops

EVALUATION See below PLACE OBTAINED Germany/Prussia

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1. On 16 May 1951, Villa Ingenheim in Potsdam still quartered about 250 troops who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets. Many Soviets wearing civilian clothes were also noticed there. There was an increase in the number of dogs now seen inside the fence around the quarters.

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2. On 19 May, the former court building on Obotritenring and the former school on Beethoven Strasse, Schwerin (M 54/T 46), still quartered MGB troops who wore black-bordered red epaulets instead of the red-bordered green epaulets previously worn by them. (2)
3. On 28 May, the barracks installation on the west side of Regattastrasse, Berlin-Gruenau, was occupied by about 400 troops, about one-third of whom wore black epaulets with signal insignia, and two-thirds red epaulets. Source was of the opinion that only the service colors, rather than the troops themselves, had changed.

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The adjacent restricted area seemed to have been vacated. The **two sentries** there wore red epaulets. The sign over the supply installation bore the inscription "OTON-CBAT".

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On 30 May, **only** troops with crimson epaulets were seen at the MGB quarters in the Muhlgarten Sanatorium. Some of the officers and NCOs of the unit were quartered in requisitioned houses on Gerstenweg and Haferweg, about 300 meters west of the sanatorium. Personnel observed between these houses and the MGB quarters included 1 major, 4 captains, 7 senior lieutenants and lieutenants and 20 NCOs. Two of the officers were administrative officers. (4)

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Comments.

- (1) An MGB office and about two companies of MGB personnel are believed to be located in the billeting area of Villa Ingenheim. According to the companies belong to the MGB unit in the Guestrów-Schwerin area. See 25X1A
- (2) The two buildings probably house MGB offices which are guarded by MGB personnel of undetermined strength.
- (3) The information confirms a signal unit as being stationed in the MGB compound on Regattastrasse. However, there are still other MGB troops in the compound. See 25X1A
- The inscription on the sign over the supply installation cannot be definitely interpreted, but indicates that the installation once belonged to the former SNA Germany.
- (4) The Wuhlgarten Sanatorium is believed to quarter an MGB battalion

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